

Regional Service Council Minutes

October 11, 2013

Greeting/Introductions

Council Members Present:

Steve Cox, Jackie Fisher, Jeanell Sheffield, Judge Jay Toney in attendance by Proxy Beth Krieg, Kelly Kirby, Betty Lyons, Jeremy Soultz, Judge Kimberly Dowling, Judge Dana Kenworthy

Absent Council Members:

Deb McGriff-Tharp, Mary Lou Barella, Anna Swallow, Barb Hinshaw , Proxy Cindy McCoy, Proxy Magistrate Brian Pierce, Pat Egle, Joy Woolf, Linda Marsh

Others in Attendance:

Mary Edmonds, Liz Kuhns, Carolee Couch, Tasha Griffin, Gil Smith, Nikki Lawhead, Pat Garofolo, Donna Bookout, Sharon Ross, Jill Hendricks, Julie Ensinger, Kurt Gard, Linda Wilk, Tasha Griffin, Stacey Woodin, Polly Craig, Jessica Maxwell, Angie Pierce, Jennifer Moore, Patricia Covington, Amanda Chenoweth, Andrea Goodwin, Sue Cramer, Michelina Burrows

Minutes September 13, 2013

Judge Dana Kenworthy moves to accept the September 13, 2013 minutes. Jackie Fisher second motion to accept minutes. All in favor of minutes being accepted. Motion carried forward.

Community Partners-Children's Bureau

- Active Families:122
- Engaging Families:48
- Total Families Referred:597
- Material Relief Funds used for September 2013: \$2,101.29
- Total material relief funds used July 2013 to September 2013: \$5,937.61
- Blackford(7), Delaware(51),Grant(28),Jay(21), Randolph(15)

Early Intervention/Prevention Plan

- Youth Service Bureau
 - Have 40 approximately full time employees trained in Purple Crying
- YOC-Respite
 - 1 child in placement
 - Denied a child due to a child that was pregnant
 - Length of stay 5 days
 - Spend down \$5,000
 - Remaining \$5,000
- Born to Learn
 - 21 families in July
 - 68.5 hours in July
 - 26 families in August
 - 67 hours in August
 - 21 families in September
 - 65.25 hours in September
 - Families dropped in September with kindergarten starting
 - Play groups held each month
 - October dress up for Fall Fest
 - Christmas Party in December for holiday
- Family Society-Domestic Violence Education & Awareness
 - Presentations
 - Delaware 4 attendees 50
 - Grant 2 attendees 42
 - Contract amount \$30,000
 - Media Funds \$3,600
 - Claimed 1st Quarter July-Sept: \$6,043.75
 - Grant County has 2 billboards up
- A Better Way
 - A Better Way media still have previous Billboards up
 - Jay County Elementary is the only school struggling to schedule presentations
 - On target with other counties with presentations
 - For Red Ribbon Week scheduled to do presentations in Delaware

- Socially Safe Teens
 - Working with 5th thru 8th grade children
 - Year to Date Pre/Post Tests
 - Blackford- 94
 - Delaware- 57
 - Grant -247
 - Jay- 92
 - Randolph- 0
 - Contract amount \$65,000
 - Claimed 1st Quarter July-Sept \$6,075
- When I Use We Both Lose
 - Middle of October five billboards going up in each county
 - Middle of November Purple Crying will have billboards going up in each county
 - Nikki Furry will give update on Terry Hall presentation November 2013 meeting
- Terry Hall
 - Delaware-Grissom elementary
 - Grant – Is still working this out
 - Betty- Is not having one
- CPCS- Nikki Furry will cover next month

Coordinator Update:

- Children's Mental Health Initiative is rolling out
 - Working on Grant County access site
 - Trying to have all counties rolled out by end of 2013
- Comprehensive Home Base Central Office has negotiated with the Family Center Treatment Providers the rate has been set and waiting for activation
- Carolee Couch plans on having training with everyone over Comprehensive Home Base
- Trauma Focus Cognitive is being negotiated now
- BRSSP every 2 years this plan take place to discuss what services will better serve our agency for the next 2 years
 - Submitted to the Director of the agency every even number year
 - Required to have a couple of work group meetings
 - 11-4-13 at 9:00 a.m. at Region 7 Training Facility
 - 12-13-13 at 10:00 a.m. at Region 7 Training Facility
 - January 2014 meeting a vote to accept the BRSSP
 - Paper work turned in to have Women's Bureau added to Region 7

- Regional Finance Manager
 - No budget
 - Expenditures for this year is running higher than last year
 - Preservation Services and Miscellaneous areas are feeling the cost the most

- Hot-Line
 - Angie Pierce is the Supervisor for Blackford County Hot-Line
 - Three FCM in cohort still
 - One FCM completed cohort
 - One transfer FCM
 - Five intake Specialist and Supervisor in Blackford County
 - Sue Cramer Assistant Director will oversee the Blackford and St Joe County
 - Nathan Johnson Assistant Director will oversee the Lawrence and southern hotline

Questions/Concerns from Membership

Motion:

Liz Kuhns motions that the RSC approve the Grant County Foster Parent/Adoption Support Group as a DCS recognized group. Jeremy Soultz second the motion

Next Meeting- November 8, 2013